

<u>Kaibab National Forest</u> <u>Williams and Tusayan Ranger Districts</u> 2014 Fuelwood Permit – General Information



Permits will be issued for Dead & Down and Green fuelwood cutting; Dead & Down permits are sold for \$5 per cord, Green permits will be sold for \$10 per cord. There is a minimum purchase of \$20 per permit. Cords will be sold in increments to meet the \$20 minimum. Free-use permits will also be issued for removal of dead and down wood within designated areas.

A *maximum* of 6 cords (combined) of paid fuelwood may be purchased per household. An additional 4 cords of free-use fuelwood may also be issued.

The removal of fuelwood is only permitted on National Forest System lands on the District for which the permit is issued. Private and other non-Forest Service lands are shown on fuelwood maps attached to the permit, visitor maps and the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM); please take note of property boundaries and be certain of where you are cutting.

Fuelwood may not be removed from administrative sites and developed recreation sites including developed campgrounds, picnic areas, trailheads and interpretive sites. Commercial timber sale and other contract areas may also be excluded from cutting under this permit. Trees with signs, tags or paint may not be removed.

Fuelwood cutting is permitted across the entire Williams and Tusayan Ranger Districts, with the exception of wilderness and other special areas shown on the map attached to the permit and noted above. However, the use of motorized vehicles off of the open road system is prohibited district wide except in the designated cross-country travel units shown on the map. A valid fuelwood permit is required and ground conditions must be dry, when traveling cross-country within designated units. Outside of the designated cross-country travel units, permittees may park up to 30 feet off the road to load fuelwood. Permittees are encouraged to obtain a free Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) showing the open road system when purchasing a permit.

The removal record on the permit must be completed and fuelwood tags attached to the load prior to transporting the wood from the cutting location. Instructions for attaching the fuelwood tags will accompany each permit.

All visitors to the forest are reminded to always be extremely careful with fire. Fuelwood cutters should be aware that chainsaws can throw sparks and ignite grasses and brush. Always carry a shovel and water in case of a fire start. Additionally, all chainsaws must be equipped with a stainless steel spark arrestor screen.

Please read all conditions of the permit (including attachments) carefully and see below for additional specifics. If you have questions, please contact the Williams or Tusayan Ranger Districts.

For Dead and Down Fuelwood

Dead and **down** (on the ground) wood of any species may be removed. The **removal of piled material is prohibited** anywhere on the Williams and Tusayan Ranger Districts.

For Dead and Standing Fuelwood

The removal of **standing** dead trees is limited by species and size according to the following: (Diameters are measured at 4 % feet above the ground)

Ponderosa Pine – Only dead, standing trees less than 12 inches in diameter (38 inches in circumference) or less than 15 feet in height may be removed.

Pinyon Pine – Only dead, standing trees less than 10 inches in diameter (32 inches in circumference) or less than 12 feet in height may be removed.

Gambel Oak – Only dead, standing trees less than 8 inches in diameter (25 inches in circumference) or less than 12 feet in height may be removed. In addition, **standing** dead oak may only be removed between June 1 and October 15.

Juniper –Only dead, standing trees less than 20 inches in diameter (68½ inches in circumference) or less than 15 feet in height may be removed.

Aspen – Only dead, standing trees less than 12 inches in diameter (38 inches in circumference) or less than 12 feet in height may be removed. In addition, standing dead aspen may only be removed between June 1 and September 30.

For all species, dead limbs may <u>not</u> be removed from live trees. Trees must be completely dead with no live/green foliage.

For Green Juniper Permits

There are diameter limits to the trees which may be removed, see attached instructions for the size limit for the area you are cutting in, diameters are measured at **root collars**.

Green juniper can be cut only within designated units (see attached map) and require a **Green** fuelwood permit.

Unit boundaries have been designated with paint unless otherwise specified. The boundary of each unit has been marked with horizontal bands of paint approximately 4.5 ft. above ground, facing into the unit. Please be aware of where you are cutting as restrictions and requirements may change outside of the unit. When in doubt, **Don't Cut**. Contact the Williams or Tusayan Ranger Districts with any questions.